United States District Court Southern District of Texas

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August 04, 2020 David J. Bradley, Clerk

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

BAYOU CITY WATERKEEPER Plaintiff		
	§	
v.	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:18-cv-03369
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CITY OF HOUSTON	§	
Defendant	§	

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT CITY OF HOUSTON'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO EXTEND DISCOVERY STAY

Before the Court is Defendant City of Houston's Unopposed Motion to Extend Discovery Stay. The motion is **GRANTED**.

In its May 5, 2020 Order, this Court stayed discovery in this case until July 31, 2020, because of the pending settlement in the related lawsuit filed against the City of Houston by the United States of America and the State of Texas that is now pending in Judge Eskridge's court: United States v. City of Houston, No. 4:18-CV-3368 (S.D. Tex.) (the "United States' Lawsuit"). See Doc. 37. The United States and the State of Texas have formally lodged a Consent Decree containing the terms of the settlement in the United States' Lawsuit. Doc. 27. The public-comment period for that settlement concluded on November 8, 2019. See 84 FED. REGISTER 54,181 (Oct. 9, 2019). This Court has been informed that the United States and the State of Texas plan to file their motion to enter the Consent Decree within days.

This Court, therefore, extends the current stay on discovery in this case until August 31, 2020. If the settlement in the United States' Lawsuit has not been finalized by that date, the parties may request an extension of the stay.

United States District Judge